

Springfield Campanile



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Mayor Domenic J. Sarno

November / December 2016

Mayor Sarno & Officials Break Ground on new







FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2016

Mayor Domenic J. Sarno hosted a groundbreaking ceremony along with the Springfield Park Commission for the Raymond A. Jordan Springfield Senior Center to be built in Blunt Park.

The facility will include a variety of activity spaces throughout the 25,000 square foot, two-story building. Activity rooms will include and are not limited to, dance, billiards, sewing, ceramics, carpentry, music, computer access, and a library. The focal point will be a 3,000 square foot banquet room which will hold daily luncheons, special events and a teaching kitchen.





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Happy Holidays to all of you!

The Holidays are a special time but for many of us they can be difficult.

Our centers are here for you. They can be a place of activity and/or a quiet place to reminisce.

Please look at many of the activities planned in the centers and see which suits you the best. I will look to see you!

Janet Rodriguez Denney **Director of Elder Affairs** City of Springfield, Mass

I want to take this time to express my appreciation of working with all of you! All of you have become an extension of family as we walk our life journev together.

I wish you all a very safe and healthy Holiday Season.

Jan Rodriguez Denney

Funding for many of our wonderful programs and activities is provided through Council on Aging grants from the Executive Office of Elder Affairs at the Commonwealth of MA.

Department of Elder Affairs ~ Mission Statement The Department of Elder Affairs is dedicated to enhancing the quality of life for senior citizens in the City of Springfield.



Springfield Golden Age Travel

1600 East Columbus Ave, Springfield, MA Call 413-787-6486 for more information.

Please make all checks payable to: Golden Age Club

New Fun Filled Trips Coming in January!

Make sure to look for trip infomation at any Springfield Senior Center or Golden Age Club location.



may you have a very

Happy Holiday Season.

Here's a little treat

to share from us to you.

Eggnog Bundt Cake w/ Eggnog Frosting

Ingredients

1 (15oz) yellow cake mix

1 (3oz) dry white chocolate instant pudding mix

½ C light egg nog

½ C light sour cream

4 eggs or I use 2 whole eggs and 4 egg whites

(to reduce fat/cholesterol)

¼ C canola oil 1 tsp nutmeg

1/4 C water

Pan Coating: ⅓ C sugar

⅓ C sugar 1½ tsp cinnamon

Frosting:

1/4 C butter, softened

1/4 C light egg nog, room tempera-

½ tsp vanilla

¼ tsp nutmeg ½ tsp sea salt

78 LSP Sea Sail

2 C powdered sugar

Instructions

Preheat oven to 350 degrees.

Generously coat bundt pan with cooking spray. Combine sugar and cinnamon in a small bowl; mix.

Evenly coat pan with mixture;

reserving excess.

Set aside. In a large mixing bowl combine cake mix, dry pudding mix, nutmeg; stir to combine.

Add egg nog, sour cream, eggs, canola oil, water; mix until smooth.

Pour batter into prepared pan.

Tap on counter to even out batter without

disturbing coating.

Add additional cinnamon/sugar mixture onto the batter.

Bake 35-40 or until toothpick inserted

near center removes clean.

Rest cake on rack for 10 minutes.

Turn out cake onto cooling rack and let cool completely.

Frosting:

In a mixing bowl cream butter, vanilla, and eggnog. Add nutmeg, salt, and powdered sugar 1 C at a time.

Mix until smooth and a pour able consistency; adjust as necessary with more egg nog or powdered sugar to gain a nice consistency.

Place Cake on serving platter, spoon frosting around the top of cake and allow to drizzle down the sides.

Serve and Enjoy!

MONDAYS

Brightwood Branch ~ 1:15p.m. Springfield Hobby Club

309 Chestnut Street

Winchester Sq. Branch ~ 1:00p.m.

Independence House 1475 Roosevelt Avenue

TUESDAY

Tri-Towers Branch ~ 1:00p.m.

Tri-Towers Community Room 18 Saab Court WEDNESDAYS

Bi-Monthly 1st & 3rd Wednesday Mayflower Branch ~ 10:00a.m.

Wachogue Church Corner of Arvilla/Roosevelt

East Springfield Branch ~ **1:30** 773 Liberty Street

THURSDAYS

Carew Street Branch ~ 10:30a.m.

Jenny Lane

1122 St James Avenue

Pine Point Branch ~1:00p.m.

Pine Point Community Center 335 Berkshire Avenue

FRIDAY

Sixteen Acres Branch ~ 1:00p.m.

Clodo Concepcion Center (Greenleaf) 1187 ½ Parker Street

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Medicare Open Enrollment

Attention Medicare beneficiaries! Those who want to make changes to their prescription drug plans or Medicare Advantage coverage can do so starting Oct. 15 during Medicare Open Enrollment period. There will be a fewer plans to pick from this year, but in general people will have plenty of options. Some individual plans have significantly higher rates or their coverage has changed. There's more to look at than just the sticker price of a plan alone. It's critical that ben-



eficiaries compare the plans in their area to make sure they're in the plan that covers the drugs and doctors they need--- at the best price. We don't know what the Medicare Part B cost will be next year, although there is speculation that we will see a small COLA in Social Security which usually means an increase in Part B costs.

Important things to consider when reviewing your plan changes are: Does it still cover all your medications? Did you get a letter from your Medicare Prescription Drug Plan that your plan is changing? If you've been reassigned to a new plan, contact the new plan to assure it will cover your current medications. If not, you must join a new plan before December 7, 2016. Also, if you've never joined a Medicare Prescription Drug Plan (Part D), you can do it during this time.

During the Medicare Open Enrollment (<u>October 15 - December 7</u>), you will have an opportunity to CHANGE your coverage for next year. You can decide to stay in Original Medicare or join a Medicare Advantage Plan. If you are already in a Medicare Advantage Plan, you can use the Open Enrollment to switch back to Original Medicare with a Medicare Prescription Drug Plan.

Call early to get a SHINE appointment (750-2893) during Open Enrollment!

Our Volunteers are already busy with appointments!

JOB TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES FOR MATURE WORKERS





SPRINGFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS

If you are 55 years of age or older, a resident of Hampden, Hampshire County and want to re-enter the job market:

We hire and provide Training for the income eligible Older Worker!

We need your experience, dedication, skills insight and patience.

We are taking applications for future openings for individuals interested to get into the work force and are able to work 20 hours a week.

Call either offices to speak to our intake person:

Hampden Office

Mature Workers Program 1600 E. Columbus Avenue Springfield, MA 01103 413-787-6126 or 413-787-6613

Hampshire Office

Mature Workers Program Franklin/Hampshire Career Ctr 178 Industrial Dr., Suite 1 413-586-6506 ext. 115

Cooperating Agencies: City of Springfield Dept. of Elder Affairs, Department of Labor, and Senior Service America Inc.

"Operated under USDOL grant and in cooperation with Senior Services of America, Inc. The SCSEP Program is an equal opportunity program.

News from the Outreach Department -Dept Of Elder Affairs ~ 413-750-2896



My name is Lakisha Reddick, a resident of the City of Springfield. I'm the newest Outreach Worker at the Department of Elder Affairs. I come with many years of experience working with community agencies and members, connecting individuals to needed services and researching new programs that will help the day to day life's of so many in our city. I look forward to working with the elder population, families and caretakers.



To Those Who Courageously Gave Their Lives.....

And Those Who Bravely Fight Today....

THANK YOU!

Forest Park Manor

Director: Maddie Allen Open Tues & Thurs 10:00 am-2:00 pm 24 Barney Lane ~ 787-7714

10:30-11:15a.m.

Easy Does it Group Exercise

1st Thurs.—Movie with free popcorn 3rd Thurs. 10:00a.m. Vietnamese

Women's Group

11:00a.m.-1:00p.m. Blood Pressure Screening

Workshops & presentations –call for dates & topics

2nd & 4th Tuesday of the Month Hot Lunch ~ 12:00 noon ~ \$2.00

Lunch provided through Greater Springfield Senior Services-Reservation required by the previous Thursday. Call 787-7714 to make your lunch reservation.

2nd Friday: Brown Bag Pick-up

Grocery Store Trip ~ Once a Month call for days & time

The coffeepot is always on. Stop in to read the paper, watch TV, have a cup of coffee or tea, chat with you neighbors!

Clodo Concepcion Comm. Center

Director: Kerry Welch Open Mon-Fri 9:00 am-3:00 pm ~ 1187 1/2 Parker Street ~ 750-2873 Hot Lunch Served Mon.& Wed. from 12:00-1:00 \$2.00 Suggested Donation. Reservations required

Monday

9:00 Coffee Hour & Walking Club 9:30 Dancercise

12:00 GSSSI lunch/

1:15 Retired Federal Workers Assoc. Mtg (1st Monday of month)

1:30 Extreme Walk & Strength

Tuesday

9:00 Coffee Hour & Walking Club 9:30 Walk & Strength

10:45 Tai Chi \$3.00pp

1:00-2:30p.m Line Dancing

Wednesday

8:30 1st Wed. of the month Foot Care (by appt.only –every other month) 9:00 Coffee Hr & Walking Club

9:30 Balance Class

12:00 GSSSI lunch

Thursday

9:30 Walk & Strength

12:00-3:00 Play Pitch \$2.00 (high score & door prizes)

Friday

1:00 –3:00 Golden Age Club Mtg

Fitness Center

Director: Gleny Vargas Open Mon-Fri 7:00 am-3:00 pm 310 Plainfield Street ~ 886-5240

Monday

Cardio Machines/Weight machines Coffee

7:30-8:30am ~ Blood Pressure 10:30-Resistance Bands w/Gleny

Tuesday

7:30-9:00 Blood Pressure

Cardio Machines/Weight machines Coffee

Wednesday

Cardio Machines/Weight machines

7:30-8:45Blood Pressure

10:30 Resistance Bands w/Gleny

Thursday

Cardio Machines/Weight machines Coffee

7:30-9:00 Blood Pressure

Friday

Cardio Machines/Weight machines Coffee

8:00-11:30 Blood Pressure

**Walking Club: Spring TBD

Hungry Hill Center

Director: Linda Henley Open Mon-Fri 9:00 am-4:00 pm 773 Liberty Street 733-9411

Monday

9:00 Computer Class

10:30 Light Aerobics(\$3.00 per mo)

11:30 Social Hour

Tuesdav

9:30 Knitting & Crafting

Lunch Every Tuesday!

(Reservations One week in Advance)

Every 2nd Tues. Bingo 1p.m.-4:00p.m. Pokeno 1st, 3rd, & last Tuesday

Wednesday

10:30 Walking Tape

2nd Wed. Reflexology

Thursday

10:30 Video Exercise & Strength training 1:30p.m. Movie w/popcorn

3rd Thurs. Birthday Celebration Hungry Hill Council Mtgs

3rd Thurs. 6pm

Friday

1:00 Adult Coloring EOM Foot-care by appoint. 2nd Friday of the Month Brown Bag 3rd Fri. Reflexology \$5.00 & Chair Massage \$10.

Mason Sq. Center

Director: Madeline Cofield Open Mon-Fri 8:00 am-4:00 pm 439 Union St, Emerson Hall ~ 733-3917 GSSSI Lunches \$2.00 suggested donation

Monday

9:00 Coffee & Chat 10:30 Bible Study

1:00 –3:00 Bingo/Triominoes

Tuesday

9:00 Coffee & Chat

Sewing & Crafts

12:00 Jigsaw~ anyone !!!

Wednesday

9:00 Coffee & Chat

9:00 Manicures by appt

1-2:00 Chair Aerobics/Exercise

Strength with Bands (bi-weekly)

Thursday

9:00 Coffee & Chat

Sewing & Crafts

1:00-3:00 Bridge

3rd Thursday 10:30 am Brown Bag &

SNAP; Manicures by apt

Friday

9:00 Coffee & Chat

12:30 Knitting & crafts

1:00-3:00 Domino's

1:00 Movie 5th Friday

Good Life Center

Open Mon-Fri 8:00 am-4:00 pm 1600 East Columbus Ave. 787-6785

Outreach Program It serves as the primary vehicle for providing information and referral services for seniors in the Springfield area.

Golden Age Club Provides Social/ Recreational services to eleven branches across the city.

Senior AIDES Employment Program-

Provides useful, meaningful community service employment to eligible lowincome, disadvantaged mature workers.

S.H.I.N.E The SHINE Program is Massachusetts' State Health Insurance Program that provides free, one-on-one health insurance information, counseling and assistance to Medicare beneficiaries of all ages.

Computer Learning Center Seniors can learn to use email, the internet, and computer programs.

Mayflower Center
Director: Alex Martin
1516 Sumner Ave. 782-4536
Open Mon-Fri 9:00 am-2:00 pm
GSSSI Lunches \$2.00 suggested donation
Home of the Technograys email:
mayflowercenter@verizon.net

Monday

9:30 Line Dancing

1:00 Mass Assoc. for the Blind 7/20 & 8/17

Tuesday

10:00 Dominoes

10:00 Tues. Benefits check-up screening

11:00 Join Mayflower Walking Tigers

12:30 Art for the Soul

Wednesday

9:00 1st Wed. Ask your CPA

10:00 Tai Chi for Beginners ~ New

11:15 Meditation

12:30 Book Club

Thursday

11:30 1st Thurs. Lunch w/appetizers

11:00 2nd Thurs Workout w/bands

11:30 3rd Thurs. Lunch w/appetizers

12:30 4th Thurs. Gratitude Journaling

Friday

8:45 Tai Chi Weekly

10:00 1st Fri. Beg. Tap Dancing ~ New

12:00 2nd Fri Brown Bag Pick-Up

10:00 3rd Fri Beg. Tap Dancing

12:30 4th Fri. "It's Hip to Be Fit"

Pine Point

Director: Kerri Jahn 335 Berkshire Ave ~ 732-1072 Open Mon-Fri 9:00 am-3:00 pm

GSSSI Lunches \$2.00 suggested donation

Monday

9:15 Coffee & chat

9:15 Chair Exercise

1:00 Card Playing

A..M. & P.M. Adult Coloring ~ Free 3rd Monday Jewelry Class

Tuesday

9:15 Coffee & chat

10:00-12:00 Cards

1:00 - 3:00 Bingo

Pine Pt. Council Mtgs 2nd Tues 7:00p.m.

Wednesday

9:15 Coffee & chat

1:00 Cards

2nd Wed. Foot-care by appoint.

4th Wed. Massage by appoint.

Thursday

9:15 Coffee & chat

2nd Thurs of Month Blood Pressure 12-

1pm/Sponsored by AIC Student Nursing

1:00 Golden Agers

Coffee, Pastries & Bingo

Friday

9:15 Coffee & chat

A.M & P.M Adult coloring ~ Free

1:00 Cards or Pokeno

Riverview Center

Director: Moraima Mendoza Open Mon-Fri 9:00 am-4:00 pm 122 Clyde St. 413-787-5220

GSSSI Lunch Daily Reservations Required \$2.00 Suggested Donation

Monday

8:00-10:00 Coffee hour

9:30-10:30 Open Art Studio

12:00 Open Art Studio

Tuesday

8:00-10:00 Coffee Hour

9:30-11:30 Drop in Knitting

4th Tues: Brown Bag for Food Pantry

All Day Open Art Studio

Wednesday

8:00-10:00 Coffee Hour

9:30-11:30 Crochet Basics

All Day Open Art Studio

Thursday

8:00-10:00 Coffee Hour

10:00 Crocheting Group

12:00 Sewing Project

Friday

8:00-10:00 Coffee Hour

10:00-11:00 Fit Fridays! Lectures,

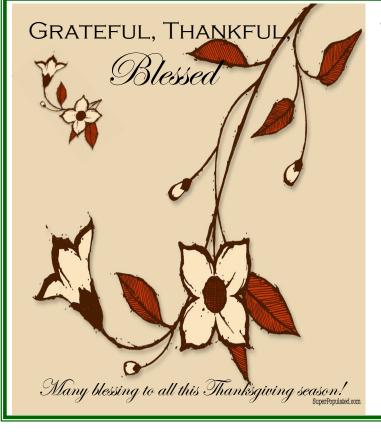
Cooking, Nutrition

11:00-11:30 Book club w/Hayde -

Brightwood Library

12:00 Open Art Studio

Billiards and Dominoes Available Daily Walking Club- Coming Soon!





Date & Time To Be Determined

At Pine Point Senior Center 335 Berkshire Ave, Springfield, MA Please Call Center For More Information! 413-732-1072

The chair aerobics class designed by Our Journey @ OD Fitness is for all fitness levels and also provides modified exercises for those that may have aliments or disabilities. The class focuses on having the participants do a range of upper body movements and lower body movements increasing the flexibility and range in motion. Target Heart rate zone of 80-130 bpm (50-80%) is encouraged, with the capability of burning 30 to 90 calories on a sliding scale based on each individual's activity level for the duration of the 1 hour class.

*** **IMPORTANT** ***

Please be mindful in times of inclement weather this winter season.

During the event of a winter storm it is important to listen to your local news,

WWLP ~ 22 & ABC 40

For Delays and Cancellations.

Please remember when

Springfield Public Schools are Closed
there are NO Activities at the
Department of Elder Affairs Senior Centers
& Golden Age Clubs.



(If you are unsure please call your local center before you go out.)



Dancercise The Fun Way to Fitness!

Stretching * Posture * Grace Aerobic Jazz for Strength

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Mondays 9:30a.m.-10:30a.m.



Only ~ \$3.00 PER CLASS

Clodo Concepcion Community Center 1187 ½ Parker Street, Spfld (Greenleaf Park ~ behind 16 Acres Library)

Instructor: Lynn Jasmin

* Owner, Director of "Miss Lynn's School of Dance" (15yrs)

* Ms. Senior Massachusetts ~ 2005

Please register for class or for more information call Kerry Welch at 413-750-2873



Winchester Sq. Golden Age Club

Flawaiian Luncheon

Do This Kind Of Work to Delay Alzheimers

New research suggests key lifestyle factors may make all the difference

July 25, 2016

By Emily Gurnon Health & Caregiving Editor

Doing intellectually complex work and interacting with others may help forestall the effects of Alzheimer's disease, according to two studies released on Sunday.

Individuals in <u>one study</u> who had a "mentally stimulating lifestyle" were protected from the cognitive decline associated with the typical Western diet, according to Matthew Parrott, of Baycrest Health Sciences in Toronto, Ontario, and his colleagues.

The research followed 351 independently living older adults over three years. A diet of red and processed meats, white bread and potatoes, pre-packaged food and sweets was associated with cognitive decline, the study showed. But those individuals with mentally stimulating work and social engagement, as well as a higher education level, maintained cognitive function to a greater degree.

Researchers found that five categories of symptoms often precede memory loss in Alzheimer's: apathy; mood; impulse control; social appropriateness and perception.

People-Centered Work Helps, Too

Another <u>study</u> showed that healthy people with evidence of Alzheimer's in the brain show the highest cognitive function if they worked mostly with *people* rather than data or physical things. That research, which looked at spots of white matter on the brain scans of 284 people in late middle age, was conducted by the Wisconsin Alzheimer's Institute and the Wisconsin Alzheimer's Disease Research Center.

"These new data add to a growing body of research that suggests more stimulating lifestyles, including more complex work environments with other people, are associated with better cognitive outcomes in later life," said Maria C. Carrillo, Alzheimer's Association chief science officer, in a written statement.

Early Alzheimer's Symptoms Different

A third <u>study</u> described symptoms of a newly identified condition called Mild Behavior Impairment (MBI), <u>the Post reported</u>.

Most people assume that memory loss is the first symptom of Alzheimer's. But researchers including Dr. Zahinoor Ismail, a specialist in neuropsychiatry at the Hotchkiss Brain Institute at the University of Calgary, who presented the study, suggested otherwise.

They found that five categories of symptoms often precede memory loss in Alzheimer's: apathy; mood; impulse control; social appropriateness and perception. Specific symptoms include sadness, disorientation, panic episodes, aggressiveness or argumentativeness, frustration, stubbornness, hoarding and substance abuse, the Post said.

Play Those Games

Another study presented in Toronto examined the effect of three different kinds of "brain training" on older adults. Over a period of 10 years, 2,802 cognitively healthy older adults, whose average age was 73.4 when the study began, were divided into four groups, the Los Angeles Times reported.

One of the groups got no training at all. Of the three other groups, one got a classroom course on strategies for boosting memory; another got a classroom course on sharpening reasoning skills and the third received computerized training to increase their visual processing ability, the Times reported. For those who took the computerized training, "the cumulative risk of developing cognitive decline or dementia over 10 years was 33 percent lower than for participants who got no training at all," the Times said.

<u>The study was called ACTIVE — Advanced Cognitive Training for Independent and Vital Elderly. The National Insti-</u>

tute on Aging provided funding.

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Mayor Domenic J. Sarno & Director of Elder Affairs Janet Rodriguez Denney Welcome

Massachusetts Executive Department of Affairs Secretary Alice F. Bonner To Hungry Hill Senior Center

Friday, September 23, 2016

Massachusetts Secretary for the Executive Office of Elder Affairs, Alice F. Bonner, visited the Hungry Hill Senior Center today. Secretary Bonner and Mayor Sarno discussed issues affecting our senior citizens, and took questions from the event attendees. State Senator Jim Welch, State Representatives Carlos Gonzalez and Jose Tosado, and City Councilors Kateri Walsh, Marcus Williams and Adam Gomez also were in attendance for Secretary Bonner's first visit to Springfield.















1600 East Columbus Ave, Springfield, MA Llame al 413-787-6486 para mas informacion

Por favor haga los cheques a nombre del Golden Age Club



Nuevos viajes anunciados en Enero de 2017



Pastel de ponched de huevo con crema de vainilla de ponche de huevo

Ingredients

- 1 (15oz) yellow cake mix
- 1 (3oz) dry white chocolate instant pudding mix
- 1/2 C light egg nog
- ½ C light sour cream
- 4 eggs or I use 2 whole eggs and 4 egg whites
- (to reduce fat/cholesterol)
- 1/4 C canola oil
- 1 tsp nutmeg
- 1/4 C water
- Pan Coating:
- ¼ C sugar
- 1½ tsp cinnamon
- Frosting:
- ¼ C butter, softened
- ¼ C light egg nog, room tempera-
- ½ tsp vanilla
- ¼ tsp nutmeg
- 1/8 tsp sea salt
- 2 C powdered sugar

Instructions

- Preheat oven to 350 degrees.
- Generously coat bundt pan with cooking spray. Combine sugar and cinnamon in a small bowl; mix.
- Evenly coat pan with mixture;
- reserving excess.
- Set aside. In a large mixing bowl combine cake mix, dry pudding mix, nutmeg; stir to combine.
- Add egg nog, sour cream, eggs, canola oil, water; mix until smooth.
- Pour batter into prepared pan.
- Tap on counter to even out batter without
- disturbing coating.
- Add additional cinnamon/sugar mixture onto the batter.
- Bake 35-40 or until toothpick inserted
- near center removes clean.
- Rest cake on rack for 10 minutes.
- Turn out cake onto cooling rack and let cool completely.
- In a mixing bowl cream butter, vanilla, and eggnog. Add nutmeg, salt, and powdered sugar 1 C at a time.
- Mix until smooth and a pour able consistency; adjust as necessary with more egg nog or powdered sugar to gain a nice consistency.
- Place Cake on serving platter, spoon frosting around the top of cake and allow to drizzle down the sides.
- Serve and Enjoy!

LUNES

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Springfield Hobby Club 309 Chestnut Street

Winchester Sq. Branch ~ 1:00p.m.

Independence House 1475 Roosevelt Avenue

Tri-Towers Branch ~ 1:00p.m.

Tri-Towers Community Room 18 Saab Court

Miércoles

Bi-Monthly 1st & 3rd Wednesday

Mayflower Branch ~ 10:00a.m. Wachogue Church Corner of Arvilla/Roosevelt

East Springfield Branch ~ 1:30

773 Liberty Street

JUEVES

Carew Street Branch ~ 10:30a.m.

1122 St. James Avenue

Pine Point Branch ~1:00p.m.

Pine Point Community Center 335 Berkshire Avenue

VIERNES

Sixteen Acres Branch ~ 1:00p.m.

Clodo Concepcion Center (Greenleaf) 1187 1/2 Parker Street

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Inscripción abierta de Medicare

Atención a los beneficiarios de Medicare! Aquellos que quieran realizar cambios en sus planes de medicamentos con receta o la cobertura de Medicare Advantage pueden hacerlo a partir del 15 de Oct. durante el período de inscripción abierta de Medicare. Habrá menos planes para elegir este año, pero en general la gente va a tener muchas opciones. Algunos planes individuales tienen tasas significativamente más altas o su cobertura ha cambiado. Hay mucho más que mirar que sólo



el precio de etiqueta de un plan. Es fundamental que los beneficiarios comparen los planes en su área para asegurarse de que están en el plan que cubre los medicamentos y los médicos que necesitan --- al mejor precio. No sabemos lo que el costo de la Parte B de Medicare será el próximo año, aunque se especula que vamos a ver una pequeña COLA en la Seguridad Social, que por lo general significa un aumento en los costos de la Parte B.

Aspectos importantes a tener en cuenta en la revisión de los cambios del plan son: ¿Todavía cubrira todos sus medicamentos? ¿Recibió una carta de su plan de medicamentos recetados que su plan está cambiando? Si usted ha sido reasignado a un nuevo plan, póngase en contacto con el nuevo plan para asegurar que cubrirá sus medicamentos actuales. Si no es así, debe inscribirse en un plan nuevo antes del 7 de diciembre de 2016. Además, si nunca se ha unido a un plan de medicamentos recetados (Parte D), puede hacerlo durante este tiempo.

Durante la inscripción abierta de Medicare (15 de octubre - 7 de diciembre), tendrá la oportunidad de cambiar su cobertura para el próximo año. Usted puede decidir permanecer en el Medicare Original o inscribirse en un Plan Medicare Advantage. Si ya está en un Plan Medicare Advantage, puede utilizar la Inscripción Abierta para volver a Medicare Original con un plan de medicamentos recetados.

Llame temprano para conseguir una cita SHINE (750-2893) durante la inscripción abierta!

Nuestros voluntarios ya estan ocupados con citas!



Muy pocas personas mayores están matriculados en SNAP

*3 de cada 5 adultos mayores que califican para SNAP no aplican. Esto significa que 5.2 millones de personas mayores pierden beneficios. Los es-



tadounidenses mayores que califican para SNAP son significativamente menos propensos a participar en el programa que otros grupos demográficos.

*Varios factores que contribuyen a la baja tasa de participación son. Muchas personas mayores se enfrentan a obstáculos relacionados con la movilidad, la tecnología y

el estigma y se desaniman por los mitos generalizados sobre cómo funciona el programa y quién puede calificar.

Llame a La Línea de Ayuda SNAP al (413) 750-2896

Noticias Del Departamento De Referidos y Extensión ~ 413-750-2896



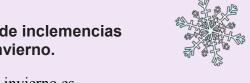


Mi nombre es Lakisha Reddick, residente de la ciudad de Springfield, MA. Soy la nueva agente de extensión para el Departamento de asuntos de Mayores para la ciudad de Springfield. Vengo con muchos años de experiencia trabajando con agencias de la comunidad y los miembros, la conexión de las personas a los servicios necesarios y la investigación de nuevos programas. Estos programas ayudarán al día a día de la vida de tantas personas en nuestra ciudad. Espero con interés trabajar con los mayores de la ciudad, familias y cuidadores.

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*** Importante ***

Por favor tener en cuenta en tiempos de inclemencias durante esta temporada de invierno.



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Durante el evento de una tormenta de invierno es importante escuchar las noticias locales,

WWLP ~ 22 y 40 ABC Por retrasos y cancelaciones.

Por favor, recordar que cuando Las
Escuelas Públicas de Springfield están <u>Cerradas</u>
No hay actividades en el los Centros de personal Mayores
Del Departamento envejecientes
y los Clubes edad de oro.
(Si no está seguro por favor, llame a su centro local antes salir.)